

- 1 **Claim 1. (cancelled)**
- 1 **Claim 2. (cancelled)**
- 1 **Claim 3. (currently amended).** The aqueous non-toxic environmentally safe
2 composition of ~~Claim 2 wherein~~ Claim 29 wherein said effective amounts
3 include about 0.007 per cent beeswax, about 0.325 per cent potassium
4 sorbate with the balance purified water, all by weight.
- 1 **Claim 4. (original)** The aqueous non-toxic environmentally safe composition
2 of Claim 3 further includes about 0.000076 per cent surfactant when used as a
3 flash rust inhibitor.
- 1 **Claim 5. (currently amended)** The aqueous non-toxic environmentally safe
2 composition of ~~Claim 2 further~~ Claim 29 further includes from about 0.00007
3 per cent surfactant to about 2.0 per cent surfactant and from about 0.009 per
4 cent fiber to about 0.013 per cent fiber to stabilize said composition for uniform
5 or homogeneous component distribution within said composition, all by weight.
- 1 **Claim 6. (currently amended)** The aqueous non-toxic environmentally safe
2 composition of ~~Claim 1 wherein~~ Claim 29 wherein said composition forms a
3 layer less than about 350 nanometers in thickness.
- 1 **Claim 7. (cancelled)**

1 **Claim 8. (cancelled)**

1 **Claim 9. (currently amended)** The aqueous non-toxic environmentally safe
2 composition of ~~Claim 8 wherein~~ Claim 30 wherein said effective amounts
3 include about 0.007 per cent beeswax, about 0.325 per cent potassium
4 sorbate with the balance purified water, all by weight.

1 **Claim 10. (original)** The aqueous non-toxic environmentally safe
2 composition of Claim 9 wherein said composition includes a pH of about 8.5.

1 **Claim 11. (original)** The aqueous non-toxic environmentally safe
2 composition of Claim 10 wherein said composition includes conductivity of
3 about 2.00 ms/cm.

1 **Claim 12. (original)** The aqueous non-toxic environmentally safe
2 composition of Claim 9 wherein said composition includes a pH of from about
3 7.0 to about 10.0.

1 **Claim 13. (original)** The aqueous non-toxic environmentally safe
2 composition of Claim 12 wherein said composition includes conductivity is
3 from about 1.70 ms/cm to about 2.30 ms/cm.

1 **Claim 14. (currently amended)** The aqueous non-toxic environmentally safe
2 composition of ~~Claim 7 wherein~~ Claim 30 wherein said composition forms a
3 layer less than about 350 nanometers in thickness.

- 1 **Claim 15. (cancelled)**
- 1 **Claim 16. (cancelled)**
- 1 **Claim 17. (currently amended)** The aqueous non-toxic environmentally safe
2 composition of ~~Claim 16 wherein~~ Claim 31 wherein said effective amounts
3 includes about 0.062 per cent beeswax and about 2.957 per cent potassium
4 sorbate with the balance purified water, all by weight.
- 1 **Claim 18. (cancelled)**
- 1 **Claim 19. (cancelled)**
- 1 **Claim 20. (cancelled)**
- 1 **Claim 21. (currently amended)** The aqueous non-toxic environmentally safe
2 composition of ~~Claim 15 wherein~~ Claim 31 wherein said composition forms a
3 layer less than about 350 nanometers in thickness.
- 1 **Claim 22. (cancelled)**
- 1 **Claim 23. (cancelled)**
- 1 **Claim 24. (cancelled)**
- 1 **Claim 25. (cancelled)**
- 1 **Claim 26. (cancelled)**
- 1 **Claim 27. (cancelled)**

1 **Claim 28. (currently amended)** The aqueous non-toxic environmentally safe
2 composition of ~~Claim 22 wherein~~ Claim 32 wherein composition forms a layer
3 less than about 350 nanometers in thickness.

1 **Claim 29. (new)** An aqueous non-toxic environmentally safe composition to
2 reduce or inhibit corrosion, rust and scale on metal surfaces comprising
3 effective amounts of sorbic acid, salts of sorbic acid and/or derivatives thereof
4 and at least one wax selected from the group consisting of hydrocarbons,
5 esters, acids, alcohols and/or saponified fatty acids and combinations thereof,
6 wherein said effective amounts include from about 0.004 per cent beeswax to
7 about 0.40 per cent beeswax, from about 0.30 per cent potassium sorbate to
8 about 3.50 per cent potassium sorbate with the balance purified water, all by
9 weight.

1 **Claim 30. (new)** An aqueous non-toxic environmentally safe composition to
2 reduce or inhibit corrosion, rust and scale on metal surfaces as a flash rust
3 inhibitor comprising effective amounts of sorbic acid, salts of sorbic acid and/or
4 derivatives thereof and at least one wax selected from the group consisting of
5 hydrocarbons, esters, acids, alcohols and/or saponified fatty acids and
6 combinations thereof, wherein said effective amounts include from about
7 0.004 per cent beeswax to about 0.01 per cent beeswax, from about 0.30 per
8 cent potassium sorbate to about 0.35 per cent potassium sorbate, with the
9 balance purified water, all by weight.

1 **Claim 31.(new)** An aqueous non-toxic environmentally safe composition to
2 reduce or inhibit corrosion, rust and scale on metal surfaces as a bath or dip
3 comprising effective amounts of sorbic acid, salts of sorbic acid and/or
4 derivatives thereof and at least one wax selected from the group consisting of
5 hydrocarbons, esters, acids, alcohols and/or saponified fatty acids and
6 combinations thereof, wherein said effective amounts includes from about 0.02
7 per cent beeswax to about 0.1 per cent beeswax, from about 2.50 per cent
8 potassium sorbate to about 3.50 per cent potassium sorbate, with the balance
9 purified water, all by weight, having a pH of about 8.0 to about 9.0 and
10 conductivity of from about 14.20 ms/cm to about 16.20 ms/cm.

1 **Claim 32. (new)** The aqueous non-toxic environmentally safe composition to
2 reduce or inhibit corrosion, rust and scale on metal surfaces as a paint
3 preservative or additive comprising effective amounts of sorbic acid, salts or
4 sorbic acid and/or derivatives thereof and at least one wax selected from the
5 group consisting of hydrocarbons, esters, acids, alcohols and/or saponified
6 fatty acids and combinations thereof, wherein said effective amounts includes
7 from about 0.30 per cent beeswax to about 0.40 per cent beeswax and from
8 about 17.00 per cent potassium sorbate to about 25.00 per cent potassium
9 sorbate, with the balance purified water, all by weight. having a pH of about
10 7.0 to about 10.0 and a conductivity of from about 60 ms/cm to about 80
11 ms/cm.